

REMARKS

Claims 1-13, 15-29, and 32-36 are canceled, and claims 37-49 are added. As a result, claims 14, 30-31 and 37-49 are pending.

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 16, 2007, Applicant elects, without traverse, the claims in Group 6 (claims 14, 30-31, and new claims 37-49) directed to methods which detect PBR RNA.

Claims 1-13, 15-29, and 32-36 are canceled solely in response to the Restriction Requirement and without prejudice to their presentation in a divisional application.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6959 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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